

REMARKS

Applicant has cancelled claims 10, 11, 34 and 35. Claims 2-9, 27 and 29-33 remain pending as previously presented.

Allowable Subject Matter

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 2-9, 27 and 29-33 are allowed. Applicant has cancelled claims 10, 11, 34 and 35, which the Office Action continued to reject under 35 U.S.C. § 103. As such, all remaining claims in the Application are allowed. Applicant respectfully requests that the remaining claims proceed to allowance.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 10, 11, 34 and 35 were variously rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). To expedite prosecution toward allowance, Applicant has cancelled claims 10, 11, 34 and 35, leaving only the allowed claims. However, Applicant does not acquiesce in the Office Action's rejections of the claims as previously presented, characterization of the references or Applicant's previously presented claims, or the application of the references to Applicant's previously presented claims. Moreover, Applicant reserves the right to represent any originally filed, previously presented, cancelled, and/or previously unclaimed subject matter in a subsequently filed continuing application without prejudice or disclaimer.

Conclusion

All claims currently pending in this application are allowed. Should any issues remain outstanding, the Examiner is urged to telephone the undersigned to expedite prosecution. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 13-2546.

Respectfully submitted,

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